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—Chas. G. Hockin, Pastor Irma Church.

A PLEASANT SOCIAL EVENT.

On Thursday evening, Dec. 16th, a number of the members of the choir and Sunday School staff of our church met at the parsonage and after the evening's practice was over, presented Mrs. Dickson with some glassware and pottery. Mrs. Dickson has been a very willing assistant in all the doings in the church that required music and it was fitting that an expression of appreciation should come from those most intimately associated with her in practice and work in the church. Mr. King in making the presentation address spoke of the regret all felt at the breaking of these associations and wished for Mrs. Dickson and the family a sphere of usefulness in which like good fellowship would abound. Lunch was served and a very pleasant and social hour spent closing with a verse of the hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love."

U. F. A. AND U. F. W. A.

The monthly meeting last Friday was a very pleasant evening. Mr. Ottewell, of the University of Alberta Department of Extension, gave an exhibition of moving pictures that was much enjoyed by all the gathering, young and old. The newly elected U.F.A. President, Mr. Mallinson, was in the chair and after the entertainment called for business items. The next meeting was discussed and it was decided to debate the subject of co-operative creameries. Messrs. Love and Hill are to lead in favor of a local plant, and Messrs. Fenton and Williams for a large central plant or some other scheme. It was felt that we could not answer the U.F.A. questionnaire on co-operative creameries fully at present. The ladies served lunch and the meeting adjourned.

IRMA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The officers and thirty-five members of the Irma Agricultural Society met in the Co-op Hall last Friday afternoon. Owing to the President, Mr. C. A. Toll being away to Edmonton and unable to be back in time for the meeting on account of his car refusing to negotiate the snow banks, the chair was occupied by the Vice-President. The following officers were elected:

J. H. Elliott, President; A. A. Fischer, 1st Vice Pres.; C. Z. Costin, 2nd Vice-Pres.; O. Steffenson, 3rd Vice-Pres. The election of a Secretary-Treasurer was left vacant to a further meeting.



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Safeguarding the Public Health

In previous articles in this series, reference was made to certain subjects, legislation in regard to and administration of which are subject to dual control by the Dominion Parliament and Provincial Legislatures. Among such subjects, which, however, was not previously enumerated, is Public Health.

The Dominion Parliament, which recently created a Federal Department of Public Health, is responsible for the establishment and enforcement of quarantine to prevent the introduction of disease into Canada from abroad; for the establishment and maintenance of Marine Hospitals; for the medical inspection of immigrants, and, generally, work of an educational character affecting the health and well-being of all the Canadian people.

The larger portion of the burden of expense and administration in connection with safeguarding the public health is imposed on the Provinces, which are responsible for the establishment, maintenance, and management of hospitals, asylums, charities, institutions for the deaf and dumb, blind, mentally deficient, and so forth. Under Provincial legislation the direct and active management of many of these institutions is naturally, and properly, placed upon municipal authorities, but the Provincial Government makes large annual contributions towards the cost of their upkeep.

To a much more general extent than ever before, Governments and people the world over have awakened to a realization of the imperative duty devolving upon them to improve the physical standard and general health of the people also that the safeguarding and improvement of the public health is not alone local matter, nor even national, but international. A plague or outbreak of disease in any one country may, in these days of rapid transportation and close communication, threaten all other countries.

People and Governments have at least come to a realization of the fact that human life is more valuable than the life of domestic livestock, that they have been absurdly inconsistent in the past in expending huge sums to improve the standard of horses, cattle, sheep and swine, and to eradicate disease amongst them, while in many important ways failing to provide for the health and lives of mothers and babies, upon whom depends the whole future of the human race and the citizenship of the world.

It is said to the everlasting credit of the Western Provinces of Canada that they are well in the lead in the adoption of the most approved laws and methods of sanitation, inspection of food supplies, the provision of grants to needy expectant mothers, in the payment of mothers' pensions, in the establishment of the most modern and best equipped hospitals, asylums and sanatoriums. The scheme of union hospitals for groups of adjacent municipalities is one of the finest things yet devised, because through this plan, hospital facilities are being brought within reach of the people living in isolated rural communities. The expense imposed on Provincial and municipal treasuries is heavy; but it is money well spent, and will pay large dividends in better health and a higher physical standard in the years to come, not forgetting the hours of suffering prevented or lessened to the people of today.

While recognizing that the safeguarding and promotion of the public health and the prevention of disease is primarily a duty of Government, the fact is also recognized that no Governmental body can meet the whole need. Furthermore, a Government can only move along advanced lines as rapidly and to the extent that public opinion will support. Hence there have been brought into being many voluntary organizations to act as assistants to Governments, and to undertake certain duties which can be more efficiently carried on by such organizations than by a Department of Government. There are, for example, the Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, the Association of Mental Hygiene, the Babies' Welfare organization, the Society for the Prevention of Venereal Diseases, the St. John Ambulance Association, Children's Aid Societies, and the Red Cross with its peace-time programme for "the improvement of health, the prevention of diseases and the mitigation of suffering throughout the world."

All these organizations are aids to Government. They carry on educational propaganda. They employ experts in their various branches. They render invaluable service in many ways and to an extent which the average man and woman little realizes. In addition to aiding aids to Government, they are a spur to them, urging on to greater reforms, and educating the people to demand these reforms and to support Government in carrying them into effect.

Taken all in all, public health matters constitute one of the most important duties of our Provincial Governments in this more enlightened age.

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More Irrigation for Southern Alberta

Plans and estimates for another new irrigation district in Southern Alberta have been approved by the Minister of the Interior. This district will be known as the Medicine Hat Southern Irrigation District, and, as its name implies, it covers an area south of the city of Medicine Hat. The necessary steps for the formation of an irrigation district under the Alberta Irrigation District Act will be taken immediately.

World's Airplane Record.

Sadi Leconte, the French aviator, has broken the world's airplane speed record for four kilometers. Flying at Villa Cobley, he negotiated the distance in 46 seconds, or at the rate of 194.5 miles per hour.

Don't worry if your sins find you out; they will be sure to call again. E. W. Howe.

Iron Ore in Alberta

Investigations Would Appear to Prove that Iron Does Not Exist in Any Considerable Quantity.

Whether or not Alberta possesses commercial quantities of iron ore will be known in the near future. Investigations have been going on for some time under the supervision of Prof. J. A. Allan, and a report is almost ready to be handed down. It is said that this report will state the iron ore deposits do not exist in any considerable quantity, except in one point which lies in the Crow's Nest Pass country.

The deposits at Sheep Creek which were supposed to be important, have proven a fizzle.

U.S. Immigration Bill Causes Concern

Reports from the centres of Eastern Europe indicate that the proposed legislation to bar immigration from the United States and Canada is creating concern. The United States consulates are besieged by thousands seeking visas to migrate to the western world before the act is made legal.

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U.S. Would Bar Wheat For Year.

An embargo for one year against the importation of wheat, wheat flour, barley, rye, oats, flax, wool, hogs, cattle and sheep is proposed in a bill introduced by Representative Young, Republican, North Dakota. He also introduced a bill establishing a permanent schedule of import duties upon these items after the one-year embargo.

A MOTHER'S TRIALS

Care of Home and Children Often Causes a Breakdown.

The woman at home, deep in household duties, and the care of her children, often causes a strain which keeps her in good health. The demands upon a mother's health are many and severe. Her own health trials and her children's welfare exact heavy tolls, while the meals, housework, rest and much juggling, tend to weaken her constitution. No wonder that the woman at home is often indisposed through weakness, headaches, backaches and nervousness. Too many women have given up their health trials as part of the lot of motherhood. But imagine and varied as her health troubles are, the cause is simple and relief at hand. When well, it is the woman's good blood that keeps her well; when she must give up her trials to relieve the load, the nursing mother more than any other woman in the world needs rich blood and plenty of it. There is one way to get this good blood so necessary to perfect health and that is to drink the Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These pills make new blood, and through their use thousands of weak, ailing wives and mothers have been made bright, cheerful and strong again. They are easily dried or depressed, so it is duty to give yourself and your family to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a fair trial. What this medicine has done for others it will surely do for you.

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More of us would reach the top if the neighbors would quit shoving.

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He Should Worry.

He was a wise man indeed, that he hadn't time to worry. In the daytime he was too busy, and at night he was too sleepy.—The Black and Magenta (New Concord, Ohio).

McNard's Liniment For Colds, Etc.

4,700 Miles of Streets.

There are forty-seven hundred miles of streets in New York City. In other words, a stroll from New York to Petrograd would be no longer than a walk through all the city streets.

Protect the child from the ravages of worms by using Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. It is a standard remedy, and years of use have enhanced its reputation.

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Good Market for Canadian Butter

Predicted That Prices Will Continue at a Level That Will Encourage Production.

"To forecast prices for the next few years would be dangerous even for a sage, but I venture to assure you that butter prices will continue at a level that will encourage production," said President J. A. McFeters, of the Canadian Creamery Association at the opening of the annual convention at Toronto.

In Montreal, the great butter center of Canada, the receipts for the 1920 season has been about 71,000 packages (about 16 carloads) less than last year's. The output of creamery butter in the west for 1920 will be equal that of last year."

Western Canada And Motion Pictures

More Movies Are Being Produced in the Canadian Rockies.

The ever-increasing popularity of sunny Alberta as a happy hunting ground for the production of motion pictures, particularly those based on some of the best known western books and stories, is shown by the number of big productions that have been filmed or that are going to be filmed for presentation on the screens of the world at the present time.

One of the latest invasions of the film folk is being carried on at Lake Louise in the Rocky Mountains. A company under the direction of the Angelus Corporation of Los Angeles has just taken up its location there for the purpose of filming "Snow Blindness," a story of the northwest that gained some prominence in one of the American short story magazines recently. The company will be in Alberta for two or three weeks, by the end of which time it is expected that the principal scenes will have been shot.

A great attraction the Canadian Rockies hold to the movie producers in the winter months is the wealth of snow. On the location where the Goldwyn Company is presently working, eighteen inches of snow covers the ground, and a wonderful representation of the great frozen north is obtained. Lake Louise was described by David M. Hartford, a movie magnate who visited Calgary recently, as one of the finest locations for the northwestern type of film that he had found anywhere on the North American continent.

If one is troubled with corns, he will find in Holloway's Corn Remover an application that will entirely remove the trouble.

Co-operative Wheat Handling.

Through its own elevators and on a commission basis the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company handled nearly 40,000 bushels of wheat during the year ending July 31, 1920. The farmers' company built eight new elevators and purchased another last year and operated a total of 294 during the season. A record was created by the elevator at Foam Lake in handling 265,251 bushels. A surplus of \$22,598 was made and a cash dividend of 8 per cent declared.

Minard's Liniment For Distemper, Board to Sell 1921 Wheat.

The Canadian Council Agriculture has formulated a plan for handling the 1921 wheat crop of Western Canada, through the United Grain Growers. The organization having charge of the selling will be a board of eight members representing the different provincial grain growers associations. The farmers are to be asked to pledge themselves to sell their wheat only through the board, for a period of five years at least.

Origin of the Lamp Chimney.

The action of a child playing with a bottomless oil-flask, which his brother, a Swiss mechanic named Armand, idly placed over the flame of his oil-lamp, gave birth to the lamp-chimney.

It Will Relieve a Cold.

Colds are the commonest ailments of mankind and if neglected may lead to serious conditions. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil Lamp, a new lamp, brings us a lamp-chimney specially made to burn brightly and will strengthen them against subsequent attack. And as it eases the inflammation it will stop the cough because it allays all irritation in the throat. Try it and prove it.

A Diminutive Cal.

J. Palmer, a Moosomin drayman, is the owner of a cal which, for diminutive size, breaks all record. The cal, whose mother is a 1,000 pounder, weighed "just 10 pounds when two days old, and is said to be about the size of a large cat." This wee bovine is as smart on its feet as the ordinary calf several times its size.

Trim Riding Habit Of Tan Gabardine

By Gertrude Beresford.



POISON LIKE UNTO VENOM OF SNAKES

Professor H. Strauss, M.D., of the Royal Charity Hospital, says: "The cause for an attack of gout, rheumatism, lumbago, is mainly due to the presence of uric acid in the blood serum or humoro, the result of which is renal, the most frequent of which is renal. Before an attack, one suffers sometimes from headache, neuralgia, twinges of pain here and there."

When your kidneys feel like lump of lead, when the back hurts or the urine is dark, when you have aches and pains or rheumatic pains or lumbago, gout, sciatica, obtain at your nearest drug store "Anuric" (anti-uric-acid).

This is the discovery of Dr. Pierce of the Invalid Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y. "Anuric" is an antidote for this uric acid poisoning and dissolves uric acid in the body much as a soap does fat. It is a soap-like acid. "Anuric" will penetrate into the joints and muscles, and dissolve the poisonous accumulations of uric acid.

Montreal, Que.—"I cannot praise Dr. Pierce's Anuric (anti-uric-acid) enough for what it has done for me. For three months I was under the doctor's care and my no ticket of admission cost me \$100. I took the tablets and always complained of my kidneys. I did not know what to do. I read about Anuric and made up my mind to try it. I took it and I am now in excellent condition and don't complain any more. I have gained in weight and am still gaining. My appetite is good and I have a great desire to live. This is what the Anuric Tablets have done for me. I do truly recommend them to those who are suffering from gout. Why, these tablets are mighty good, though not expensive. Easy to buy, but hard to beat."—T. A. BROWN, 388 Dorchester St., W.

Send 10 to 12 to Dr. Pierce's Invalid Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for trial package.

The Vacuum Subway

Trains Travel at Rate of 150 Miles An Hour.

Now the vacuum subway express has been invented. Working somewhat after the fashion of the pneumatic cash carriers that have long been in use in department stores, the trains proceed from one time station to another, according to a program, at the rate of 150 miles an hour. This speed is attained with slight expenditure of power, because the vacuum system removes all air resistance from the front of the train and applies expanding air to the rear. The inventor presumably got his idea for the vacuum subway while traveling by tube, and noting what a small quantity of air the ears could get along with.

Tan gabardine is the material from which this interesting riding habit is originated. The coat is cut in effective style and is quite long. Small straps of the cloth conceal the openings of the pockets. The breeches are reinforced with tan-colored leather that matches the top boots.

An Ascot tie of heavy silk forms a pleasing background for a diamond pin. The tricorn hat is fashioned from dark brown hatter's plush. Of course, should the wearer of this costume prefer it, she might substitute a regulation derby. And a bright-colored vest might be introduced if she should so elect.

Many infants are infested by worms which cause great suffering and if not promptly dealt with may cause constitutional weaknesses difficult to remedy. Miller's Worm Powder will clear the stomach and intestines of worms and will so quickly relieve the system that there will be no recurrence of the trouble. And not only this, but they will repair the injuries to the organs that worms cause and restore them to soundness.

Clydesdale Horses From Scotland

Western Canada Farmers Putting Forth Efforts to Improve Quality of Stock.

The farmers in Western Canada are persistent in their efforts to improve the quality of their horses, cattle, sheep and swine, and now blood is constantly being added. One of the best known Clydesdale exhibitors in Western Canada, Ben Finlayson, has just arrived in Brandon, Manitoba, with another consignment of Clydesdale horses from Scotland. Each year it is the custom of Mr. Finlayson to journey to Scotland and there pick up the best stock available. He has brought a shipment of twenty-one Clydesdale stallions and one mare from Scotland. The trip was made without any untoward incident, none of the horses being sick on the way over. The horses have been quartered in Brandon and the next two or three months will be spent in putting them in the best condition, following their trip across the ocean.

Sometimes in after years, when they talk of their wedding, the wife cries and the husband growls.

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From the Diary of A Hudson's Bay Clerk in the Seventies

PASSING THE SPRING OUT

By O-GE-MAS-ES (Little Clerk).

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(Continued from Last Issue)
It is considered a point of honor to eat all that is put before you at an Indian feast, but alas this was beyond my powers. So very quietly, I, from time to time, transferred portions of my helping to the old man's plate, and though he was a fairy wizened up old Indian when we sat down, by midnight he looked more like a London alderman.

About 2 p.m. I quietly slipped out and looking back at the scene from a few yards away it made a perfect picture of wild Indian life. The long camp fires gave sufficient light to see the dancers who followed one another in Indian file keeping time to the tom-toms with a sort of jig step. Most of the men had nothing on but a breechclout; while the women were naked from the waist up. Still their brown skins painted with various ochres did not strike one unpleasantly as white people would do, in fact they were quite in harmony with their wild surroundings, truly children of nature and so far unspoiled by civilization.

My time was now getting short as I had promised the Chief to be home by the 24th of May. So making one grand round to all the various tepees, collecting some small debts, leaving some of my impedimenta to come down later, I was now saying goodbye. O-sow-is-k was quite mournful, also Ki-say-the-nish. My Indian Grandfather's address was quite pathetic.

"My Grandson," he said, "you are young and I am old. We may never see one another again (and we never did). I wanted you to have a monument so all would remember O-ge-mas-es' residence amongst us. Some days ago I had my young men go down the Carrot River where stands a mighty spruce tree, a landmark for miles around, and this they made a log-stick in memory of you."

I thanked the old chap and really felt quite affected. Then my newer friend, Ki-say-the-nish, wished to establish relationship so called me his Cha-Cha-Wow. This was a mutual name between us and meant that we were so related by our children having intermarried. Remarkable, that an obscure tribe of Indians such as the Crees would have a special name for a relationship which cannot be stated concisely in English. It is also remarkable to say that this fictitious relationship was of considerable benefit to me many years after, but, that as Kipling says, "that is another story."

It was a spring of very high water and my little bark canoe was loaded down well to the gunwales, but thanks to careful pitching, tigh as a bottle. The Indians had warned me not to descend the Carrot too far for fear of meeting drowned land. Away! I went, waving my paddle in a fast salute, and paddled steadily till noon, when I landed and boiled the kettle. I had shot a goose and had some fun chasing him in the afternoon. Forgetting all warnings, I paddled steadily ahead, only now noticing that the banks of the river were flooded. Common sense should have warned me to

France Will Retain Ships

Decision Follows Recent Conferences With the British.

Paris.—France will now retain all German ships which she has been managing provisionally under the terms of the Versailles treaty, says the Matin, which asserts that recent Franco-British conversations on the subject have resulted in an agreement. These ships aggregate 430,000 tons.

Veterans Enter Protest.

Kington, Ont.—Protests will be made to the Ontario Government by the Army and Navy Veterans of this city against the order-in-council granting \$20,000 to a University in Montreal, and the proposal to spend a large sum of money in establishing a town site at Kapuskasing when the question of unemployment is becoming serious and when many citizens of the province of Ontario are in actual want of food and fuel.

Mayor of Calgary.

Calgary, Alta.—With all polls held in the mayoralty contest here, Adego is elected mayor by 5,111 votes against 2,709 for Ruville, the only other candidate.

Sams, is re-elected commissioner, the vote being 4,496; Broatch, 2,192 and Smith, 1,062, Sams thus having more than the two other candidates combined.

Want School Teachers

Children of Members of Air Force at Camp Borden Need Instruction.

Ottawa.—Application has been made by the Air Board to the Ontario Department of Education for teachers at Camp Borden. The reason for this it is stated, is that many of the married men of the Canadian Air Force have their wives and children at Camp Borden where living quarters are provided for married men, and there are some thirty children there who are without any school facilities. It is proposed to open a school for their benefit at the camp in the spring. There are now some 400 people at Camp Borden.

BANK OF MONTREAL

Annual General Meeting, Held December, 1920.

The 100th Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank of Montreal was held on Monday, December 6th, at the Bank's Headquarters. The President, Sir Vincent Meredith, Bart., occupied the chair, and presented the annual report of the Directors.

Before moving the adoption of the report, Sir Vincent Meredith gave a comprehensive review of the economic situation. During the year the bank had taxed resources to the utmost. It had been difficult to make men who had grown accustomed to high prices recognize the fact that economic conditions, with no artificial means available, alone could bring about a price decline. "The demand for intervention through Government control is still insistent in some quarters," he said. "Canada alone cannot control world conditions, and it is up to us to let Government remain free from failing prices. This applies to wheat as well as to other commodities."

Summing up, he said: "The situation in Canada is peculiar, but not unique, and while there does not appear to be any cause for apprehension, there is every reason for the exercise of the utmost measure of caution. Canada cannot disassociate herself from world conditions, and world conditions are the determining factor in this country. Two years supervening upon the Armistice have been marked by unequalled trade activity and prosperity, a circumstance common to the conclusion of all great wars. But the result has not yet been fully realized in full plazas. Happily, Canada is well buttressed on many sides, and the exercise of prudence and sagacity should enable her to meet the shock of falling prices, but until the time comes when there is no further hindrance to the recovery of the commercial and financial vitality."

The General manager, Sir Frederick McIlwain, also reported on the operations of the Bank during the year. He said the payment of a bonus of 2% to the shareholders was not the outcome of higher rates of interest on current loans in Canada but rather the result of a general loan and of high interest rates on call loans in New York, the volume of which was governed by the Bank's requirements in liquid reserves. One anomaly which attracted attention was the fact that the average rate of interest on call loans in Canada was higher than in the United States.

As I went sweeping down with the strong current in my favor I could see a tall figure pacing the shore. He would look up at my tiny craft then away again, and I knew it was the Chief and that he was half afraid to look, for it was really dangerous enough as a touch of the drifting logs would have sent me to the bottom. Finally I swept into the Pas River, the grasping the bow of the canoe and exclaimed: "Thank God you are home safely. I have slept but poorly the last week thinking about your return alone and the very high water. Then that canoe is too ridiculously small for any sane man to risk his life in. Ah, Lord B., Lord B., (his nickname for me) you will never die in your bed?" So loving and chiding in the same breath, O-ge-mas-es returned to The Pas and we celebrated the event by a mighty chess game that night.

More Employment in West

November Shows Decrease in Time Lost Through Industrial Disputes.

Ottawa.—During November, the total average volume of employment continued to decline through Canada, according to the weekly advance reports of the Labor Gazette. The downward movement was observable all over the Dominion, though less marked in the prairie provinces.

The loss of time on account of industrial disputes was less during November than during October, 1920, or November, 1919. There were instances at some time or other during the month, 20 strikes, involving about 1,859 work people and resulting in a time loss of 23,442 working days.

China to Represent Asia.

Geneva.—China has taken rank among the principal powers directing the affairs of the world through its entry into the council of the League of Nations, in succession to Greece. The election of China had been discounted largely since the assembly had previously adopted the recommendations of the committee on organization that another elective member be allotted to Asia.

Russ.-Romania War Clouds.

Vienna.—Trouble between Romania and Soviet Russia is forecasted in reports from Ukraine received here. These advice declare that Romania is adopting measures "indicative of the imminence of war" with Russia over the possession of Bessarabia.

Returns from Orient



REV. T. D. CHOW,

Superintendent of Missions of Methodist Church, just returned from the Orient, where he reports favorable progress in the Mission Fields of the Far East.

Allies to Control Dardanelles

Changes in Greek Government Must Not Affect the Situation.

London, Eng.—In the House of Commons in the course of the debate on the defence estimates, Premier Lloyd George announced that whatever the changes in the Greek Government, the guardianship of the Dardanelles Straits must remain under control of Great Britain, France and Italy, regardless of whether Constantine remained in Greece or Venizelos came back.

Replying to much criticism on the proposed change of the government, Sir Vincent Meredith gave a comprehensive review of the economic situation. During the year the credit had taxed resources to the utmost. It had been difficult to make men who had grown accustomed to high prices recognize the fact that economic conditions, with no artificial means available, alone could bring about a price decline. "The demand for intervention through Government control is still insistent in some quarters," he said. "Canada alone cannot control world conditions, and it is up to us to let Government remain free from failing prices. This applies to wheat as well as to other commodities."

Summing up, he said: "The situation in Canada is peculiar, but not unique, and while there does not appear to be any cause for apprehension, there is every reason for the exercise of the utmost measure of caution. Canada cannot disassociate herself from world conditions, and world conditions are the determining factor in this country. Two years supervening upon the Armistice have been marked by unequalled trade activity and prosperity, a circumstance common to the conclusion of all great wars. But the result has not yet been fully realized in full plazas. Happily, Canada is well buttressed on many sides, and the exercise of prudence and sagacity should enable her to meet the shock of falling prices, but until the time comes when there is no further hindrance to the recovery of the commercial and financial vitality."

The General manager, Sir Frederick McIlwain, also reported on the operations of the Bank during the year. He said the payment of a bonus of 2% to the shareholders was not the outcome of higher rates of interest on current loans in Canada but rather the result of a general loan and of high interest rates on call loans in New York, the volume of which was governed by the Bank's requirements in liquid reserves.

One anomaly which attracted attention was the fact that the average rate of interest on call loans in Canada was higher than in the United States.

As I went sweeping down with the strong current in my favor I could see a tall figure pacing the shore. He would look up at my tiny craft then away again, and I knew it was the Chief and that he was half afraid to look, for it was really dangerous enough as a touch of the drifting logs would have sent me to the bottom. Finally I swept into the Pas River, the grasping the bow of the canoe and exclaimed: "Thank God you are home safely. I have slept but poorly the last week thinking about your return alone and the very high water. Then that canoe is too ridiculously small for any sane man to risk his life in. Ah, Lord B., Lord B., (his nickname for me) you will never die in your bed?" So loving and chiding in the same breath, O-ge-mas-es returned to The Pas and we celebrated the event by a mighty chess game that night.

Co-operation in Reconstruction

American Speaker Declares That Problem is Largely Psychological.

Montreal.—That the reconstruction period must be marked by a much closer relation between the employers and employees, was the general drift of an argument presented here by George F. McIlwain, of Babson's statistical organization, of Boston.

Mr. McIlwain showed for six years during the war period the hall had always been in the hands of the employer, with two or three jobs for every man. Now conditions had changed, and the hall was once again in the hands of the employers.

The problem, he said, was largely psychological, and one in which religion and the church should take their part.

Fortune For Greek Royalty.

Athens.—A court decision has been handed down authorizing Madame Manos, the wife of the late King Alexander, to enter into immediate possession of the fortune left by the King. This is estimated in value at two million drachmas (about \$400,000, normally) and consists almost entirely of money and jewels.

Exempt From Taxation.

Ottawa.—A special ruling of the finance department concerning joint stock companies provides that dividends derived exclusively from profits received before January 1, 1917, may be distributed on or before December 31, 1920, without being liable to taxation. This ruling was confined by R. W. Bredner, commissioner of taxation.

Long Continued Insults.

The Hague.—Jonker Van Karnebeek, the foreign minister, explained to Parliament that Holland had "temporarily broken off diplomatic relations" with Jugoslavia, because of long continued insults to the Dutch Government.

Mine Disaster in Japan.

Yamaguchi, Japan.—One hundred and thirty persons are missing as a result of a fire in a coal mine near here. Five bodies have been recovered from the mine. Twenty persons were injured in the disaster.

Volcano in Eruption.

Tokio.—The Asama Yama Volcano situated about 90 miles northwest of Tokio, has been in eruption for several days. The ashes are falling over a wide area.

W. N. U. 1347

U.F.O. in Accord With Farmers' Movement to Enter Federal Arena

Western Livestock Union

Geo. H. Hutton is Unanimously Re-Elected President at Calgary Meeting.

Calgary, Alta.—George H. Hutton, superintendent of the C.P.R. department of natural resources, was unanimously re-elected president of the Western Canada Livestock Union. Hon. Dr. Tolmie, federal minister of agriculture, was re-elected honorary president.

Vice-presidents for the four western provinces were elected as follows:

Alberta, George Hoadley, M.L.A., re-elected; British Columbia, W. T. McDonald; Manitoba, Andrew Graham; Saskatchewan, to be appointed later by the Saskatchewan Livestock Board at their meeting in January. F. W. Agid, deputy minister of agriculture, and the vice-president for 1919, to continue to act in the meantime.

More Nations Join League

Bulgaria, Finland, Luxembourg and Costa Rica Are Given Admittance.

Geneva.—The League of Nations increased its membership to 46 states by the admission of Bulgaria, Finland, Luxembourg and Costa Rica. None of them met with opposition, but there were some absences from voting on their admission, led by the French delegation, who explained, although they held no grievance against Bulgaria, they lacked sufficient information, and preferred not to act either way.

Armenia came up again to trouble the Assembly. To do something for Armenia has appeared to be the slogan of several members since the beginning of the meeting, including leading figures such as Lord Robert Cecil. The committee on the admission of new states having decided that Armenia could not be admitted now, Lord Robert asked the Assembly to at least hold out the hope that Armenia will be adopted into the family of nations next year, and to wish well to President Wilson in his mission of mediation between the Armenians and Turkish Nationalists.

Xmas Turkeys Jump In Price.

Montreal.—The predicted rise in the price of turkeys has come to pass and the holiday birds are now six cents more a pound than they were last week, bringing the cost of Christmas dinners up to sixty cents per pound. This jump is only beaten by the rise in the price of cranberries, which have leaped from twenty to thirty cents a quart.

Earthquake Shock Recorded.

Washington.—An unusually severe earthquake shock, estimated to be 2,800 miles distant from Washington, was recorded on the seismograph at Georgetown University. The quake was registered in various parts of Canada.

Embargo On Imports.

Washington.—A one-year embargo on imports of potatoes is proposed in a bill introduced by Representative Hersey, Republican, of Maine.

West Presents Case for Control Of Natural Resources

Federal Ministers Hold Out Little Hope For Any Early Settlement.

Ottawa.—The first conference between federal and western minister on the vexed question of the control of natural resources by the prairie provinces was an interesting discussion but unproductive, of any definite result.

The fact that western provincial interests are not identical presents somewhat of a difficulty. One western premier expressed the belief that it may take another five years to settle the question and while this may be an exaggeration it indicates that a long road has yet to be travelled before the end is reached. The disagreeable part of the question is that, like the tariff and the freight rates question, territorial consideration of east and west cut a figure.

The Government of Manitoba submitted a lengthy memorandum of its claims but Saskatchewan and Alberta did not do so, though their views are along the same lines. They will put their case in writing also.

Briefly stated, what the provinces ask is the transfer to them of their natural resources and, in addition something by way of annual allowance for resources alienated for the general advantage of Canada. The suggestion was made that some accounting should take place to determine the amount of such compensation.

The course proposed by the federal ministers was that the prairie provinces should abate a portion of their demands of subsidy in lieu of lands under the autonomy terms. Unless this was done they held out little hope nor are they in a position to say as yet that, even if the demands were reduced, no compensation would be granted. It is a matter upon which Parliament will have to be consulted.

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SPORT DOPE.

(By Buck.)

Fred and Brownie were called upon to give a reading on "The Most prominent Builders of Canada" at the Guild. They mentioned "Chris Columbus", "Cartier", "Champlain", "100 Associates" etc, not forgetting the good old Hudson Bay Co. "The Hudson Bay" in our minds, was one of the biggest factors in the making of Canada "wet". The next greatest and most outstanding is "John Spencer" who has made Canada "dry". Then the one and only railway CPR—We took this country from the Indians—but they can have it back when she goes dry.

Patricia, in your first paragraph of our last issue you were wondering why "Buck" looked so awfully sad and if it was because "She" had not written lately. Now Patricia, sweet bunch of roses, if it is personal information that you seek and the seeking of such information causes you to wonder, I shall come to your rescue by offering the following: "She" writes every day and her letters are not mere notes but full volume magazines. The reason I express that look of sadness is NOT because she does not write, but rather because her letters are so long it takes several days to read one, and I get sore because I am so frequently interrupted to attend to other duties that I get behind in my reading.—You know what it is? to be interrupted while reading your "Snappy Stories"? Well don't you feel sore and sad like? Me too! You say "She" will return to Irma. My fair maiden, she shall never return here and if you exercise your mind with such thoughts, I would advise you to change your course of exercises. Even your comparison of characters it is beyond my powers of recollection to conceive why you use "him" to compare with "her"—Now for a Kick:—"If all the girls in dear Irma were half as full of pep", Good will, and earnest desire for good sportsmanship as "she" possessed, this town would not be so dead as far as the female element are concerned.

Star gazing, now sounds good—but—wha'dya'mean, you lost yet dog. In the reader re star gazing our correspondent says topic of the evening was "star gazing" by Russell Love. Surely Russell must have had his arms full if he done all the gazing. Why were some of the other young men present not allowed to assist Russ in his exploit. Trotsky and Fred went to the feast with an ambition but returned broken hearted because Russ was given the whole evening among the "stars". But Fred made up for it at the dance Wednesday night and spent several periods in the "moonlight" waltzes.

Teddy won it first, Bill won it second and Bill is still in possession of it, and August says the d—thing ate all his harness etc. and would disown it so that's why Bill has the nanny goat. Anyone wishing to have fresh goat's milk will receive the supply by applying to Bill, eh Bill?

Keller got a baby's bonnet, Teddy got a nightie, George got a dust cap, Buck got a— I don't know whether you call it a casserole or a camesole, but it was some kind sole. Anyway, we all got them at the Ladies Aid Bazaar on Dec. 11th—what we want to know is who can we get to fill each individual article. The camesole is sixteen inches around the waist—any girl who can measure up or down to these dimensions will kindly apply in her own handwriting and we will endeavor to advance some consideration in finding her a bachelorette friend with \$2000.00 to start on—a man must have that much. Oh, I know he should—the Guild says so.

From what Irma couple was it I overheard the following: "You must think you know everything, and I bet you couldn't do the first thing toward keeping house!" For instance, just tell me how to dress a chicken." "Put furs on her in the summer and low shoes in winter."

A certain traveller, while indulging in a meal at one of our local restaurants was asked by the proprietor, "how he found his steak?" And replied, "Why I lifted my potatoe, and there it was."

Speaking of the gentlemen of Irma keeping up with the style, Patricia, our memory goes back to when a girl's idea of dairyness in attire was a pair of red slippers hardly showing and now—well I have been out with certain young damsels of modern type, and while in their company was kept on the verge of a nervous breakdown, lest the two small straps over her shoulders break and she lose all earthly garments. Just last week I overheard a bright youth asking his mother "why she dried clothes in the cellar," and the lad's mother replied, "Because your sister wears so little now; I am ashamed to hang them in the back yard."

IRON CREEK U. F. A. DISCUSSES COST OF PRODUCTION OF OATS

At the last meeting of Iron Creek Local No. 417 U.F.A. a discussion took place as to the actual cost of production of oats in this district and the following statement was adopted:
Rent of land per acre \$2.00
Plowing, man and 4 horses 3.00
Harrowing75
Drilling75
Stocking90
Seed, 2½ bu. at 1.25 3.13
Threshing, 50 bu. at 10c 5.00
Twine, 3 lbs. at 20c60
Use of machinery, 1 acre at60
Hauling to town, based on load of 100 bu. one man and 2 horses 8 hours at 80c
100 bu. \$6.40, 50 bu. 3.20

Total 1 acre \$20.63

Based on yield of 50 bushels, production cost per bushel was 41½ cents.

At the date of meeting the price paid for oats at the elevator was 23¢, showing an actual loss to the farmer in every bushel of 13½¢. Since we learn the elevator price on oats has been as low as 22¢.

The following resolution was drafted by the meeting: "Resolved, that this Local recommends that some immediate step be taken towards the formation of a Grain Board by the Government to take charge of the marketing of the remainder of Canada's grain crop and thus eliminate speculative trading on the Grain Exchange.

The situation in the Viking district and we believe in all other parts of Alberta may be summarized as follows: Many farmers find it impossible to pay for implements, lumber, hired help, etc., bought at high prices prior to the slump in grain.

Retailers are refusing to supply goods on credit. Auction sales are attended because there is no money and stock is being sacrificed at ridiculous prices.

Many members after the meeting felt that the Resolution was not strongly enough worded, some members recommending that a general strike of farmers throughout Canada and the U. S. be organized with a view to securing prices based on the cost of production. It was also felt that the Meighen Government had betrayed the West in allowing the advance of 35 percent in railroad rates just prior to harvest time; in failing to reinstate the wheat board, and in failing to protest strongly against the embargo placed on Canadian cattle by the United Kingdom. It was suggested that the following pledge should be circulated and signed by every Alberta farmer in an effort to awake the present government to a sense of its responsibilities towards the people.

"Whereas prices offered for grain at the elevators are far below the actual cost of production,

"And whereas actual and dire distress must ensue if the situation is not immediately remedied,

"And whereas, a material portion of the loss sustained by the farmer is due to the unwarranted increase in railroad rates just prior to harvest time; in the neglect to reinstate the wheat board, and in the general attitude of the Meighen government towards the farmer,

"Therefore, we the undersigned farmers of Alberta pledge ourselves that unless the 35 percent increase in railway freight rates be immediately rescinded, and a Grain Board established to market the grain and thus eliminate speculative trading on the Grain Exchange, we will at the next election vote against the present Meighen Government and endeavor to secure the election of a party which will be representative of the people and not merely the hiring of corporations."

TRAIL RANGERS.

The next meeting of the Trail Rangers will be held on Friday afternoon, Dec. 31st. This will be an important meeting to prepare for our big day on the 15th of January when we entertain our fathers and mothers. For the next meeting be prepared for the observation tests on page 25 of the Trail Rangers Manual.

DANCE AT JARROW.

A dance will be held on New Year's eve Dec. 31st, at Jarrow, in the schoolhouse. Admission gratis, \$1. Ladies please bring cakes.

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STRAYED—black pony mare, small white spot on face, \$5.00 reward. L. Hosstrip, Irma. 35-7p

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Strayed—1 yearling heifer, roan, strayed during June, branded (lazy L B with bar above) on left hip. —J. S. Gulbra, bx 3, Irma. 37-9p

Lost—between Irma and Clark Manor, a parcel containing dry goods. Finder please leave at Co-op store. —Mrs. J. A. Littlechild.

Strayed—To N. W. 36-46-9, one red heifer, ears and tail frozen. One red bull calf white on belly, no visible brands. Owner can have same by paying expenses. —W. D. Nicoll. 3tp

Strayed—to my premises, during Oct. one large red steer, no visible brand, dehorned. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses. —Frank Yonker, Sec. 16-46-8. 1tp

Strayed—from S. W. quarter of Sec. 30-46-9, w4, yearling heifer, red and white nearly a roan, and 2-yr old steer, red and white, both branded 532 on right side. —X. —Chas. Olsen, Irma, P. O. 35-7p

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THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT.

The spirit of Christmas is the spirit of peace and good will. No man can enter heartily into the spirit of Christmas and cherish animosity toward anyone. The fact that one has plunged wholesale into the business of making others cheerful and happy at once argues that he is at peace with his neighbors. He has received all bills from him spiritually, and has obtained receipts from those he owes, just as Chimney at their New Year pay their debts and then rejoice together. It is wholesome in every way to be rid of hate—even for a few days. It helps the digestion morally and family.

After more than nineteen centuries since the first Christmas, the world is still nominally Christian. The civilization of the world is Christian. There is no other civilization today. It does not matter if there are enlightened men here and there who deny this, nor that millions of people in Asia and Africa live and have for ages lived under other theories of progress or have had none. In the advance, leading them, holding up the light for them, teaching them all the enabling and enlightening arts, are the Christian nations. One could as wisely shut his eyes at noon and deny the sun as to discredit the influence of the teachings of Christianity, and their influence throughout the world.

Christianity is the dominant civilizing agency. Remove that agency and all that it implies, and in a few weeks the world would be plunged into hopeless, abyssal chaos.

In the good will that marks the Christmas season, let it not be forgotten that Christianity is not a system of morals for those who prefer it to others, or that there are other systems just as potent in pushing civilization on to the goal of perfection.

It is not merely a good one among other excellent ones. It is the most powerful agency for good the world has ever known.

LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Inez Fenton returned home last Saturday from attending college at Edmonton, for her holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Thoresen returned to Viking last Monday after their visit with Mr. and Mrs. P. Jones.

Mr. Watkinson has recovered from his recent illness and is on the job again.

Mr. C. A. Toll motored to Edmonton last week returning the first of this week.

Considerable snow was encountered in places west of Irma.

The Times will not be issued next week, following the custom of last year. The publisher expects to spend the holidays at the home of his parents at Minneapolis, Minn.

The U. F. A. held its annual business meeting on Saturday afternoon in the Co-op Hall. The Secy-treas. was not able to give his report as the returns from the drive were not in and this part of the business was held over till the next meeting.

A special meeting was ordered to discuss the cream business. The following officers were elected:

President, E. Mallinson. Vice Pres. R. D. Smallwood. Secy-treas. C. G. Hockin. Directors, Messrs. J. B. Gulbra, Steffenson, R. Love, Clark, Sissons, M. T. Knudson, Fenton, Yarr, Burton, J. H. Elliott.

It was decided to hold the meeting on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 2 o'clock. Members will please notice the change of day. The election of delegates to the convention will be held at the next meeting which is on Wed. Jan. 5th, 1921.

Mike Rubenok,
Tenders are invited for the renting of the property of above in Irma. Apply Fieldhouse and Hunter. 2t

VIKING

Geo. P. Lee returned on Saturday from a trip to Edmonton.

Miss Dolly Lawes was a visitor to the city last week.

A. Roland and wife left on Friday for a visit to Calgary.

Crysler Hilliker is home from Brandon College for the Christmas holidays.

Percy Jones, wife and baby, spent the week-end with Walter Jones and family.

The school teachers have left for their respective homes to pass the holidays.

Steve Swift left on Tuesday evening's train for Vancouver where he will spend the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones and daughter Miss Anna, expect to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Harvey at the "Fort."

KINSELLA

Dick Hopper has left Kinsella to accept a job with John Christensen or Holden.

James Strohach has left for Calgary where he is employed on a bridge gang on the G.T.P. railway.

Wm. Mann, manager of the Royal Bank here, was a visitor to the big city last week.

Ross Phillips is expecting a carload of horses at Kinsella from Saskatoon take out on his farm north of town.

J. E. Berry, manager of the Kinsella sand company at this point, has closed the sand pit for the winter and has left for Saskatoon.

The butcher shop started to be built a short time ago by Wm. Knebone, is now completed and a nice stock of meat on hand.

George Judd, of the Kinsella district, who reports spending a busy season at Manville, has left again for Edmonton, after visiting relatives and friends in this district.

Mrs. Eckert's house has been completed and Mrs. Eckert has finished moving into it. She will conduct a knitting business which will be another addition to the already growing Kinsella.

Thomas Woods has been busy boring a well at the G. T. P. stockyards at Kinsella. J. Smith was the helper. This will be handy for stock shippers, as formerly people had to drive their stock as far as a mile and a half for water.

The Province of Alberta was again to the front at the Guelph winter show on December 8th, and today, according to telegrams received at the University from Prof. Dowell, in charge of the exhibit, in the Angus steers, Alberta entries finished first, fifth, sixth and eighth. Lotus & Dickson, of Innisfree, furnished the winner, while Noads, Ellett, and the Canadian Land and Irrigation Co. took the other prizes in the order named.

In the class for group steers of any breed the University of Alberta first, third and fourth.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

During the winter months the Secretary Treasurer of Municipal District of Kinsella No. 424 will be in Jarow from the hours of 1.30 P.M. to 6 P.M. on the following dates:

December 21st, January 4th, January 18th, February 2nd and 16th, March 2nd and 16th.

In Kinsella from 9 A.M. to 2.30 P.M. on the following dates:

December 22nd, January 5th and 19th; February 3rd and 17th; March 3rd and 17th.

Attention is drawn to the fact that all Taxes are now overdue and should be paid to the Secy-Treas. either by mail to Kinsella or personally to him at the above dates. All arrears of taxes must be paid immediately.

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3.30 P. M. Preaching service at Roseberry.

7.30 P. M. Preaching service at Irma.

Sunday School Sessions.

11 A. M. Irma.

2.30 P. M. at Roseberry, Alma Mater, and Ross.

Everybody is invited to these meetings.

This is Christmas Sunday.

C. G. Hockin, Pastor.

Our Community Guild met in the basement of the church Monday evening last and a very enjoyable time indeed was spent. The topic of the evening was "Star-Gazing" by Russell Love who kept the listeners very well interested and the evening passed very quickly for everyone. After the program lunch was served by several of the girls after which all departed for home.

The next meeting will be held in the basement of the church. The arrangements have been made for a skating party.

The Guild program on Monday evening was a skating party and a number of members were on hand to skate or to watch the skaters.

The ice on the Coulman property had a little snow on it but a few minutes put the scraper around and made skating a pleasure. This was the first skate for a long time for some and after about an hour they returned to the church basement for lunch and other amusement. The next meeting is to be on January 3rd at Mr. Fenton's home.

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CHAPTER NINE.
Of The Tribe Of Broderook.

Mr. Smythe stood with his back to the fireplace, his long arms behind his back, with sharp elbows almost touching and his thin fingers clasped together. The evenings were a torturing chill. Already the first snows had come. The trees were bare and cracked in the wind, and the skies were lead-colored and cold. In the darkness the two-toned gray sheep, Mr. Broderook looked pale and lonelier than ever. Mr. Smythe glanced at the long clock near the door and then out of the smoky window, his pointed face, frowning, the corners of his mouth turned forward in a listening attitude. The long figure of a man, half reclining on a pile of furs at the end of the counter, stirred, and the substance of a quid of tobacco was lifted into the liquor store, along with a quid of tobacco, to the clasped hands of Broderook's general merchant. Mr. Smythe smiled with his thin lips and looked much with his little weak eyes. Then he coughed.

"You wish to make Bushwhack a visit," he said, addressing his tardy visitor, "won't better be starting out on your way."

No response from the man on the fire, except another hiss in the coals. One looks as though he has a big stock of smoke," suggested Smythe.

"Snow or rain, lightin' or pitch dark, who's carin'?" retorted the other.

"It's not a nice sort of trip you're havin' goin' on."

"It's no time to take it, I know, and I'm not going to move an inch till you give me an extra pound of powder enough lead for a hundred bullets. You hear me?"

"I have paid all your fees," replied Smythe. "What am anxious to secure is some information of the people among whom you live. Number of houses, size of that, number of people in each house—"

"I know already. I know your family—such—that Hank fellow and the one you call Abe. Any more? What's your first name—Joseph, ain't it?"

"Not much, it ain't. It's Ames. We've got three more brothers, Tom, meanest skunk in the woods, Tom's son—Hank he's not much better than Tom. And Alex, who claims he'd do for me some day."

"You're a son of a bony, eh, eh, Sante," soothed Smythe. "How about the old man, the father?"

"Dad's all right in some ways, but I ain't got no sort of use for him either," answered Broderook, darkly.

"He's not built that way. Hank shot my eye out with a bow and arrow when we was kids and playin' around, and we'd run away and hide. I ain't been up to him since, but he had it in for us ever since, jest for that."

"And what did you do to Tom?"

Surely he has not escaped unscathed."

Broderook scratched his short-cropped head perplexedly. Acutely worried, he sat hunched over the counter.

"He had Smythe's eagerness to oblige him to fear, and Broderook was not so many generations removed from the Cave Dwellers that he could not understand how this might well be."

By nature he was a bony, one of a lair family of bony, whose forefathers had been bony. Accordingly he stretched his person about four inches higher and expectorated on a pair of beaded moccasins hanging from the counter.

"McTavish," he said, "you'll need another sheet of lead," he demanded.

Smythe, who had taken the powder can from the shelf, put it back in its place. Then he leaned over the counter and gazed at the Bushwhacker through the twinkling gloom.

"I guess I've chanced a lead. I won't give you none of either," he said. "And I'm going to charge you up with those scabs. You've spoiled them. You can't bluff me, Broderook—you, nor any of your six-footers, nor your old stunner of a father. You'll get a bad lot."

Broderook's six-foot-two went down to five-foot ten at a jump, and his jaw dropped as though he had been struck.

"I didn't mean to 'spile nothin'," he grumbled. "I mean to take what you agreed to give."

Smythe deliberately lit a couple of candles, one of which he took over and placed in the window. Then he came from around the counter, and stood in his former attitude, his nose pointing toward the door, his cocked eyebrows and his thin lips cocked for expected snarl. After a while he turned toward the trapper, the delighted trapper.

"Broderook," he said, "I've been pretty decent with you and your family, and all the thanks I ever got for it was in being dumped out of my skin last fall by one of your murderous tribe. I want his fault that I wasn't drowned."

Broderook seated himself on a log.

"That war Hawk," he nodded. "Meant Hank hasn't spoke for eight years."

"Humph. You don't care. Well, Hank, as you call him, wants to leave out of my way. I've got a good Christian spirit, Broderook, but a nasty disposition at times. The next time Hank tries to mix in with me it's going to be right here."

"That's not much size to you to be

callin' my draw the way you've been doin'," murmured Broderook. "I reckoned as you'd a gun—one o' them pistol kind—in your fist when you was tellin' it to me a time ago. I reckon you was right."

"Your friend," snickered Smythe, "this is a wild country, and it behoves us all to protect our fragile and oft-crippled bodies from coming into violent contact with some more solid substance; but I held no gun, about myself and relatives just now. The facts is, I fear firearms; I hate guns. I never fired a gun in my life. Nevertheless, I will not say that I was wholly unprepared, should you have shown a tendency to put out my students. I'll show you what I mean. Sambo," he called softly, "open the door, please."

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Home-Made Dainties

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At this season everybody is planning some kind of a celebration. It may be that the younger folks are coming home from school for some of the winter holidays. Or the business girl with her tiny room and kitckenette may be planning to entertain some of the girls with real homes who have been so lovely about her to weekends.

Of course, one can go to the shops and buy things, but the best are never quite like home-made. Then, too, one gets so much fun out of getting the little party ready that it would be a real shame to miss any of the fussing. Some hostesses make lemonade punch that we long remember, while others give it a special touch.

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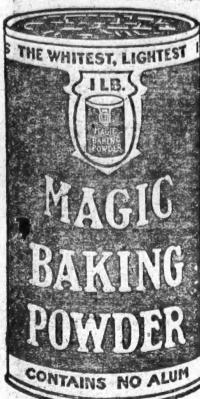
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Women School Trustees.
Women trustees have been elected to and are now officiating on the boards in 323 school districts in Saskatchewan, according to a return tabled in the Assembly by the Minister of Education. A sufficient number of the boards have more than one woman trustee to bring the total number of women trustees in the province up to 367.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured

by LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach to seat of the disease, which is a local disease, generated by constitutional conditions. **HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE** is composed of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The price of **HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE** is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal diseases. **Dougliss 75c.** Testimonials free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Props., Toledo, O.

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**"My Back Is So Bad"**

PAINS in the small of the back, lumbago, rheumatism, pains in the limbs all tell of defective kidneys.

Poisons are being left in the blood which cause pains and aches.

The kidneys, liver and bowels must be aroused to action by such treatment as Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

There is no time for delay when the kidneys go wrong, for such development as hardening of the arteries and bright's disease are the natural result.

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The exact origin of the word "carol" is somewhat obscure and has been the subject of much discussion and investigation, with no positive results. The majority of us are perfectly willing to let the experts do the quibbling over the matter, split hairs, as 'twere, and accept the word and its implication for what they mean to us. Concerning arguments on the subject, the word is claimed by some who claim it to be of Latin derivation, by others equally sure to be Welsh, and again by some students the idea is brought forward that it crept into the French language from the speech of the Gauls, and thus was carried to England.

Among the earliest relics are some carols which must have been written before the reign of Elizabeth. The very first, one of the most popular, is a local song, greatly improved by constitutional conditions. **HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE** is composed of the best tonics known, combined with some of the best blood purifiers. The price of **HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE** is what produces such wonderful results in catarrhal diseases. **Dougliss 75c.** Testimonials free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Props., Toledo, O.

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**Germans File Claims****Seek to Collect Alleged Deb's From Canadas ans.**

The Canadian Clearing Office at Ottawa is adjusting 2,465 claims from Germans for debts alleged to be owing them by Canadians. Of these 134, amounting to \$55,954, have been admitted as accurate, 59 have been contested, 19 returned as "defective." All claims are dealt with at the pre-war rate of exchange and with interest at 5 per cent, prevailing in most cases. Canadians have filed 450 claims against Germans, and 234 totalling \$1,705,348, have been forwarded to the Central Clearing Office at London to be sent on to Germany for final adjustment.

One of the best known guides in Nova Scotia gives this testimonial of MINARD'S LINIMENT.

Have used, MINARD'S LINIMENT in my home, hunting and lumber camps for years and consider it the best liniment on the market. I find it gives quick relief to minor accidents, such as Sprains, Bruises and all kinds of wounds. Also it is a great remedy for coughs, colds, etc., which one is liable to catch when out in the woods during the winter and spring months. I would not be without MINARD'S LINIMENT and cannot recommend it too highly.

(Signed) Ellison Gray,
East Kempton, N. S., Feb. 24, 1920.

The Chinese and the Famine.

Although the greater part of China's vast expanse is unusually prosperous this year, some 30,000,000 per population are in actual danger of starvation due to famine! Evidently China's "advanced" politicians are not advanced enough to deem life-saving one of their duties.

Taking NO Chance.

"Do you take this woman for better or worse?" began the parson. "If it's all the same to you," said the inexperienced bridegroom nervously. "I'll take her for better."

American Legion Weekly.

Value of U.S. Crop**With Most Abundant Crop in History Value Has Greatly Decreased.**

Shortage of values of the farm crops of the United States has placed their total worth this year at almost \$5,000,000,000 less than last year, although the 1920 harvest was one of the most abundant in history, with a dozen crops breaking records.

The important farm crops, which comprise about 90 per cent. of the value of all farm crops, were valued this year at \$9,148,519,000 by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in its final estimates.

Last year these crops were valued at \$14,087,995,000.

Farmers Elevator Co. Pays.

At the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company held recently in Regina, it was stated the earnings for the year ending July 31st, 1920, were \$224,998.

A cash dividend of eight per cent. for the year was declared and a balance of \$134,729 carried over into the reserve fund. The stockholders are principally farmers.

New Use For Warships.

Obsolete warships are to be fitted up as floating laboratories for experiments which are about to be conducted by the British Ministry of Agriculture with a view to the extermination of foot-and-mouth disease. The experiments might be dangerous to cattle if conducted upon the land.

Probably the most valuable gift of all is ability to dismiss things from one's mind.

Minard's Liniment For Diphtheria.

The wise man never boasts of his knowledge, but the man who thinks he is wise does nothing else.

Things we don't do we regret most.

The Land of Wheat**Dr. Buller Says Nine-Tenths of Crop Is Grown in Northwest.**

Dr. A. H. R. Buller, professor of botany at the University of Manitoba, in an address at the Royal Canadian Institute, Toronto, on Canadian wheat, said that nine-tenths of the Canadian wheat crop was grown in the northwest, Saskatchewan, ranking first in production, and Manitoba and Alberta following in this order.

Stating that at present not tenth of the good wheat land in Canada was under cultivation Dr. Buller predicted that the time would come when Canada would produce more wheat than the United States and the United States would be looking to this country as the source of her supply of bread.

Britain was paid by Dr. Buller to the discoverer of Marquis wheat, Dr. Saunders. Since 1909 the success of this wheat had been phenomenal, he said.

ASTHMA CURED**TO STAY CURED**

Thousands testify to the lasting benefit secured from **CATARRHOZONE**

CURES WITHOUT DRUGS.

One of the finest discoveries in medicine was given to the public when "Catarrhozone" was placed on the market about fifteen years ago. Since then thousands have been cured of asthma and catarrh. An inquiry is made from Creighton E. Thompson, who says:

"Nothing too strong can be said for Catarrhozone. I suffered four years from asthma in a way that even the best doctors could not cure. I was told of Catarrhozone by a clerk in Findlay's drug store and purchased a dollar package. It was worth hundreds to me in a week, and placed a permanent value on my health since derived." I strongly advise every sufferer to use Catarrhozone for Asthma, Bronchitis and Catarrh."

The one-dollar package lasts two months, small size \$1.50; sample size 25c. See all druggists and physicians, or the Catarrhozone Co., Kingston, Canada.

It doesn't matter very much to the average man what church he attends, just so there are cushions on the seats.

Minard's Liniment For Garget In Cows.

Quer.

Jim.—Uncle, when a thing is bought it goes to the buyer, doesn't it?

Uncle.—Yes.

Jim.—Then, how is it, when you buy coal, it goes to the cellar?

CHILDHOOD AIEMENTS

The ailments of childhood—constipation, indigestion, colic, colds, etc., can be quickly banished through the use of **MINARD'S LINIMENT**. They are mild, non-irritating laxatives which instantly regulate the bowels and sweeten the stomach. They are guaranteed to contain no harmful drugs and can be given to the youngest baby with perfect safety.

Constituted by the Alkali Medicine Co., Toledo, Ohio, **MINARD'S LINIMENT** is of great help to my baby. They regulated her bowels and stomach and made her plump and well." The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from the **MINARD'S LINIMENT CO.**, Brockville, Ont.

Probably the worst mistake a man can make is to correct the mistakes of his friends.

A Pill That Lightens Life.—To the man who is a victim of indigestion, the transaction of business becomes an added misery. He cannot concentrate his mind upon his tasks and loses and vexation attend him. To such a man Parmentier's Vegetable Pills offer relief. A course of treatment, according to directions, will convince him of their great excellence. They are confidently recommended because they will do all that is claimed for them.

German submarines take on an average 10 weeks to reduce "scrap" whose value is said to be about \$12,500.

SHILOH 30 DROPS STOP COUGHS

There are no reliable regulating medicines. Sold in three sizes—\$1, \$2, \$3 per box. Sold by all druggists, or send for booklet. Address: THE COOK MEDICINE CO., TORONTO, ONT. (Formerly Wilson's)

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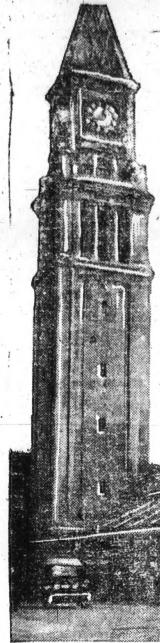
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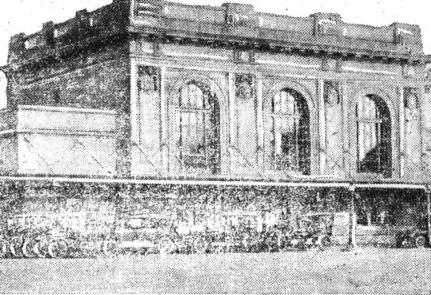
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What Yonge Street Station Means to Toronto

prove of real importance, but development has been so rapid as to demonstrate the splendid foresight of those officials who discerned the coming pivotal importance of the location. Pivotal it assuredly is, for in less time than as need to bring the centre of the present city, as any available point.

People who complain of the lack of proper facilities for passenger traffic in the Esplanade and who groan at the enormous cost of the Union Station, overlook the fact that three miles away, at a point much more accessible to most parts of Toronto, lies the most modern and best equipped passenger station in entire Canada. This is not an exaggeration, as any man accustomed to travel, who has made his acquaintance, can testify. The Union Station is a habit and humanity, and it is inevitable that as time goes on, the public will learn to make greater and greater use of a newer and admirable facility.



The public is so accustomed to taking things for granted that it is doubtful whether many Torontonians realize how great a boon was conferred on the city by the Canadian Pacific Railway, built in the Yonge Street Station. This edifice is commonly known as the North Toronto Station; but the boundaries of the city extend so far north of its site, as to make it an apt designation, if somewhat whimsical. As nearly everyone is aware it lies on the East side of Yonge St., about half a mile north of the Bloor street intersection, adjacent to a subway which links up the two main arteries of old Yonge St., with the vast residential districts lying to the north.

For many years a small station, chiefly devoted to freight business, lay on the other side of Yonge St., and dated from the acquisition of the old Ontario and Quebec railway by the C.P.R. Until a comparatively recent period the old station stood within a radius of one-half mile from the new, from a public standpoint limiting it from a public standpoint, the location was regarded as negligible. When a few years ago the C.P.R. decided to build a first class modern passenger station at this point, there were those who were still doubtful whether it would

be the growing importance of the Yonge street station is due to the fact that it lies exactly midway between two great thoroughfares, now well known, with stations, serving that bisect Toronto from East to West. The completion of the Bloor St. viaduct brought with it the developments of a trolley line connecting the Humber valley on the West with the Bloor street line to the East of Yonge St. For every one living near to Bloor St. in either direction the C.P.R.'s northern terminus is more easy of access than the Union Station. The very circumstance which has led to the Yonge-Bloor street car intersection the most important in Toronto for the longest period of the day, contributes to its ever-growing popularity.

To the north lies the St. Clair Ave. car route which taps great residential districts, whose recent growth has been a civic phenomenon. To the south lies the streetcar route which connects the northern part of Ottawa with the Yonge St. station. In the fall and winter, thousands who had never used it before, and hardly knew of its existence, were "onsoldiered" at the races at Timmins. Then, too, the trend of retail business has been steadily northward, and a great manufacturing district is growing up all along the railway tracks that are its outlets.

car ticket and without change of cars.

So far no mention has been made of the accessibility of this station to those living in the older parts of Toronto, namely, Bloor St., who have long been content to let the use of the Union Station inadequate though it be. A little examination of the civic map and the street car routes will show that even for them the northern establishment is more convenient. Only force of habit has delayed a full realization of this.

Every force of civic growth is tending to increase the importance of this station, and it is obvious that the time is not far distant when the present excellent facilities will have to be extended. Realization of the innumerable advantages of the station cannot be gainsaid, and people during the races at Timmins, Perth, etc., have an abundant yield and the number of silos in the province has doubled in a year, according to Minister, Asper, Government North Battford, and many other points they are in use. At Meota, in the Kitchener district there is common among the dairymen supplying milk in Saskatoon city.

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Western Canada's Corn Substitute

Anybody who has travelled through Western Canada this summer cannot have failed to notice fields of sunflowers growing tall and strong on many of the farms.

The newest product will never be eaten as the greatest meal, it is said, and the product will add much to the wealth of Saskatchewan. Side by side with the golden wheat the golden sunflower will blossom on every farm in due time, side by side with the granary big silos will loom up on every farm, and the ensilage they will hold will be sunflowers, stalk, leaves and all, chopped up fine.

Take a plug of chewing tobacco, steam it until the leaves come loose — and you will, by looking at the tobacco, be able to form an accurate idea of what the sunflower looks like. Moreover, it smells like that too. But the cattle, figuratively and literally, eat it up! Cattle coming into the barnyard, fresh from eating, luminous green grass, will make a bee-line on the run for sunflower ensilage. They will eat it in preference to the most expensive prepared winter food, but all the same, these things can give more milk, with a higher butter-fat content, on sunflower ensilage.

Mr. E. C. Thomas, of Lloydminster, is the leading supplier of sunflowers for the Dairy and Cold Storage branch of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, writes: The growing of sunflowers for ensilage has been adopted by a great number of Saskatchewan farmers during the past summer. There has been an abundant yield and the number of silos in the province has doubled in a year, according to Minister, Asper, Government North Battford, and many other points they are in use. At Meota, in the Kitchener district there is common among the dairymen supplying milk in Saskatoon city.

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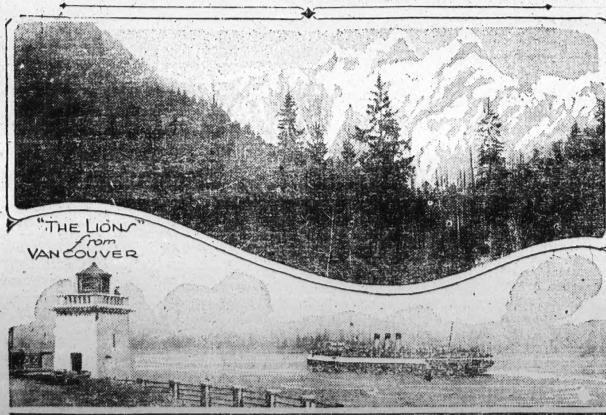
(1) Cutting sunflowers with corn binder at Strathmore, Alta.
(2) Cutting a silo with the cut sunflowers which are blown up a pipe into the silo by motor.

time is lost at the ends of the rounds proportion of two loads of sunflowers to one load of straw, the straw being left on top of the mixture is kept until it will make almost as good feed as the original sunflowers.

"In starting to feed the ensilage, care must be taken to mix with a small quantity without any bran, as the ensilage is relaxing and for a few days will have a souring effect. This will soon disappear and continue to do so from twenty-five to thirty pounds a day.

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VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER ISLAND WHERE GRASS IS ALWAYS GREEN AND GOLFERS PLAY AT CHRISTMAS

From VANCOUVER TO VICTORIA

Vancouver Island folk pick roses in the garden when the Christmas bells are ringing, and the golfer is never off his game, so far as being able to play is concerned, because there is always an appearance of green and path roses every day in the year. In the fall and during the winter the grass is rich and green, and bloom is perpetual. This is due to the warming influence of the Juan de Fuca current. The Gulf Stream of the Pacific Ocean. Vancouver Island was named after Captain George Vancouver, of the British Navy, who discovered it in 1792, and has an estimated area of 18,000 square miles. Its trees, among them the stately Douglas fir, which towers 300 feet above the roads over which the traveller glides by automobile, the Victoria quinque, Nanaimo Railway, which runs northward through half the length of the island, are magnificent beyond description, some of them being 6 or 7 feet in diameter. Along

the road are many comfortable hotels and country chalets, many of which the latter one finds on English country roads.

Victoria, the capital of British Columbia, is a city of rare charm with its beautiful drives, its golf courses, its tennis courts, its fine beach, its splendid island and the ambitions of fishermen who really want to do something for their sport, has even gone so far as to have a salmon hatchery on the west coast waters of the Pacific and caught a real whale for breakfast. Needless to say, he did not have it served on toast.

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THE PROFITABLE SKUNK

The advantages of the artificial raising of the fox, beaver, and muskrat, specifically, have been often pointed out, and here it is proposed to devote a few words to that much abused animal, the skunk. The fact that the skunk is found in practically every part of the American continent, and that the pelts has sold as high as ten dollars, is sufficient to attract the attention of fur farmers and induce a study into the feasibility and advantages of the industry.

Many years ago Ernest Thompson Seton, the well known natural writer and naturalist, and Manitoba Government advanced the most extensive artificial propagation of the skunk, and himself operated a most successful ranch of this kind. Because largely of a prejudice against the little animal, this method of domestic skunk farming has been firmly established in Canada as an industry although the advantages and possibilities are obviously so great. Successive parts of the American continent have elsewhere have demonstrated the feasibility of establishing the industry prominently in the Dominion.

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at the animal's tame remnant cause and friendly with those handling them and never bites. The powerful weapon nature has given them except when badly frightened by some intruder.

A skunk can easily be caught in practically every section of Canada for the animal is indigenous to every part and would find his natural conditions wherever a farm was located. In wire enclosures, which are available, the animals will make their own burrows and dens and need little attention beyond feeding. The demand for pelts is steady and general, and the services rendered during the past few years make skunk ranches a very profitable concern and augur a successful future for any development along these lines.